



RECEIVED  
DEC 04 2003  
TC 1700

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: **FUJISAWA, Chihiro, et al.**

Group Art Unit: 1745

Serial No.: **09/813,998**

Examiner: **YUAN, DAH WEI D**

Filed: **March 22, 2001**

P.T.O. Confirmation No.: **2676**

For: **NICKEL ELECTRODE FOR ALKALINE STORAGE BATTERY  
AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING THE SAME**

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116**  
**- EXPEDITED RESPONSE -**

**Mailstop AF**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

December 1, 2003

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of September 5, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.